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## Carter, Schmidt confer on detente

WASHINGTON, July 13 (R). — President Carter and West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt conferred for an hour at the White House today on ways to improve East-West relations. Presidential spokesman Jody Powell said Mr. Carter stressed that the United States wanted a balanced approach to the conference in Belgrade this autumn to review the Helsinki accord. Concerning the debate over Soviet compliance with the human rights provisions in the accord, Mr. Carter said there was "no desire on our part to single out any aspect of the agreement or any nation." The meeting covered a broad range of topics including trade, the Middle East and nuclear proliferation, Mr. Powell told reporters.

## Tass blasts Carter over neutron

MOSCOW, July 13 (R). — Tass news agency said today President Carter's statement that he favoured the development of the neutron bomb opened a new round in the arms race. Tass said the White House "remains on its former unconstructive position" over the question of disarmament. This was reflected in President Carter's assertion that American proposals for a second stage strategic arms limitation (SALT) agreement were "fair and reasonable", the agency said. "The development by the United States of new weapons systems means in fact the opening of a new round in the wasteful and extremely dangerous arms race and far from facilitating SALT-II negotiations, it creates... new and rather serious complications for them," it said.

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## OPEC meet ends with hint of small oil price rise in 1978

OSLO, July 13 (R). — The 13 OPEC oil ministers ended a meeting here today with a hint that a small rise in the price of oil might be in the offing for next year. The meeting here was a routine session for the ministers of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries, not intended to fix the 1978 oil price. But it did fix a date and place — Dec. 29 in Caracas, Venezuela — for an OPEC session to do just that. And some ministers also gave reporters a hint on how they were thinking. Nobody came out in support of Saudi Oil Minister, Ahmad al Yamani, who said he hoped the price of oil would stay throughout 1978 at the present level of \$12.70 for a barrel of standard Middle East crude. And Sheikh Yamani stressed that he did not want another price split in OPEC. "We do not plan to repeat it," he said, of a two-tier open price struggle that existed in the first six months of this year. Algeria's new Oil Minister, Sid Ahmad Ghazali, seemed to reflect the majority feeling when he said today it was too early to speak in detail about 1978 prices. But he said he thought the ministers would discuss a small adjustment to prices when they meet again in Caracas. The oil minister of the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Mr. Mansour bin Zayed, told reporters he thought prices were likely to be increased at the next meeting. Iranian chief delegate Jamshid Amouzegar told Reuters that his country's stand on whether to support an oil price freeze in 1978 would depend on world economic conditions. Nothing would be done to harm Western economies, he said, adding that a small decline in West German economic growth was an indication of sluggish economic conditions in the industrialised states. The only firm call for a price increase came from Libyan Oil Minister, Ezzeddin Mabrouk who said his country would oppose talks of a freeze. The conference statement also said that after reviewing the question of relative values of OPEC crudes, "it was agreed that an interim ministerial sub-committee would meet in order to discuss this issue further and to reach a solution thereof." The statement did not name the ministers, but conference sources said they were those from Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Venezuela, producers of heavy crude oils whose pollution producing properties have made them less attractive. Sheikh Yamani said today he thought the prices of such oils should be lowered to make them more competitive. The conference passed resolutions which will be published on Aug. 13, 1977 after ratification by member countries.



His Majesty King Hussein waves to enthusiastic onlookers as his cavalcade makes its way through Karak Wednesday. (JNA photo).

## King Hussein opens college as Karak celebrates silver jubilee

AMMAN (JNA). — His Majesty King Hussein opened Martyr Faisal II College at Mo'ta when he visited Karak Governorate for his silver jubilee celebrations Wednesday. The college, built near the village of Mo'ta, site of a famous battle between the Arab Muslims and Byzantine troops, is considered the biggest industrial institute in Jordan. It graduates students specialised in technology and sciences. King Hussein, accompanied by Prime Minister Mudar Badran, Chief of the Royal Court Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharaf, Court Minister Amer Khamash and other officials, visited the tomb of martyr Ja'far al Tayyar, who fell at the battle of Mo'ta. King Hussein landed in his helicopter at a spot 10 kms. from Karak. He was welcomed by the governor of Karak and top officials of the governorate. He then drove in a motor cavalcade along a road bedecked with triumphal arches and flags. Several times the King dismounted to shake hands with tribal sheikhs, who had erected large pavilions along the route. Arriving at Karak an hour later, King Hussein's cavalcade toured the decorated town. Thousands of people lined the streets. The King visited Karak's tourist resthouse and met with the mayor and members of Karak municipal council before driving to Mo'ta to open Martyr Faisal II College. After the King unveiled the commemorative plaque at the college, a sports festival was held. Hundreds of scouts, girl guides, students, workers and nurses passed in front of the royal dais. Students also paraded in the college courtyard. King Hussein, accompanied by Prime Minister Mudar Badran, Chief of the Royal Court Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharaf, Court Minister Amer Khamash and other officials, visited the tomb of martyr Ja'far al Tayyar, who fell at the battle of Mo'ta. King Hussein landed in his helicopter at a spot 10 kms. from Karak. He was welcomed by the governor of Karak and top officials of the governorate.

## Begin gets mandate from cabinet for Washington visit, M.E. peace plan

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, July 13 (R). — Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin today briefed his cabinet on a Middle East peace plan which he will put before President Carter in Washington next week. Mr. Begin said after the three-hour session: "I have received a full and unanimous mandate for the cabinet to propose our plan to President Carter." But he said no details of the proposals would be published before the Washington meeting. He dismissed as inaccurate Israeli press reports that the government was prepared for an almost total withdrawal from the Sinai and was willing to make considerable concessions on the Golan Heights in the context of a full peace agreement. But the newspapers said Mr. Begin's plan appeared less flexible on the question of the occupied West Bank. The papers speculated that the government might agree to some Jordanian voice in the affairs of the West Bank Arabs. But Mr. Begin would insist on the right to establish Jewish settlements and to retain military control over the region, the newspaper reports added. Observers here said Mr. Begin would insist that Israel is prepared to go to Geneva for renewed Middle East talks on Oct. 10 or thereafter. However, if the Geneva conference failed to materialise because of Israeli objections to participation by representatives of the Palestine Liberation Organisation, Mr. Begin believes a deadlock could be avoided, the observers said. Mr. Begin described the press reports as incomplete and inaccurate. The press was briefed after today's cabinet meeting by Mr. Arye Naor, the new government secretary. Mr. Naor, a former official of Israeli Radio, said no vote had been taken on the proposals as all ministers had been unanimously in favour of the policy detailed by Mr. Begin. Mr. Begin informed the cabinet of his appointment of Mr. Shmuel Katz to serve as his special adviser on Israel's public relations abroad. A cabinet communication to Finance Minister Simcha Erlich will serve as acting prime minister during Mr. Begin's absence. It noted that he would also take charge of the justice, social welfare, labour and transport and communications portfolios held by Mr. Begin pending the completion of coalition negotiations between Likud and the Democratic Movement for Change. In its evening newscasts, Israeli Radio said no stress was laid on the nature of the proposed peace as Mr. Begin is opposed to any discussion on this point, claiming that the meaning is clearly defined in international law. It quotes the plan as saying that Israel will not withdraw to the pre-1967 borders with Jordan because under international law, Israel never had a defined eastern border with Jordan but only with Egypt and Syria. The pre-1967 lines on all fronts except Lebanon were defined in the 1949 armistice agreements as temporary armistice lines, pending peace agreements. The Lebanese border is the old pre-1948 international frontier. Mr. Begin told newsmen his proposals were drawn up by a committee of three including himself and foreign minister Moshe Dayan and Defence Minister Ezer Weizmann. Breaking the normal security which surrounds advance information on the movement of Israeli leaders, Mr. Begin told Israeli Radio: "I shall be leaving on Friday and, please God, will return on July 25." Mr. Begin called on former Prime Minister Golda Meir at her Tel Aviv residence this afternoon. He declined to tell journalists what they had discussed, saying: "I visited Mrs. Meir because she is an elder stateswoman -- a former prime minister and foreign minister. "Having high respects for Mrs. Meir, it is quite natural that I visited her before leaving for the U.S." Mr. Begin told a luncheon meeting of Israeli newspaper editors that Israel played an important part in the global defence of the United States "everything is granted us on a basis of reciprocity, and I shall point out the role played by Israel in my talks with President Carter," he said. The prime minister said he regarded his forthcoming visit to the U.S. as very important but denied that it was "fateful" as had been suggested. "The fate of Israel does not depend on this or that meeting, however important they are," he said.

## Syrian official says only political accord will end fighting in south Lebanon

TRIPOLI, July 13 (R). — Syria's minister of Information, Mr. Ahmad Iskander Ahmad, was quoted here today as saying that an end to the fighting in south Lebanon depended on political agreement being reached between the civil war factions in Lebanon. In an interview with the weekly magazine Al Ma'warid Al Nassari (Nasserite Position), published by a pro-Syrian Nasserite organisation, Mr. Ahmad said: "Resolving the question of south Lebanon depends on a solution of the political problem in Beirut. Those who evade an appropriate formula in Beirut are people who want a continuation of the bloodshed in the south." Mr. Iskander accused Israel having expansionist designs south Lebanon. "Zionist designs are not confined to south Lebanon," he said, "but south Lebanon is the target at this stage because of its weakness there." "I affirm that if such a foolish adventure by Israel takes place, the disaster will be a good deal of tears more than those left by the October (1973) war," Mr. Iskander added.

## U.S., Britain helped S. Africa build \$3b arsenal, expert says

WASHINGTON, July 13 (R). — Major Western countries, including a United Nations embargo, have helped South Africa build a secret \$3 billion arsenal of sophisticated weapons, an American researcher in all Congress tomorrow. South Africa's main arms suppliers have been Britain, the United States and Italy according to Sean Gervasi, an independent research associate at New York State University. A draft of his testimony to House of Representatives International Relations Subcommittee was made available to outsiders today. The testimony said new data obtained from industrial and government sources showed that South Africa's arms stockpile was worth more than \$3 billion and far exceeded all previous estimates, including those by the respected London-based International Institute of Strategic Studies. Mr. Gervasi says the arms deliveries to South Africa took place during the past decade despite a U.N. arms embargo approved in 1963. Some deliveries were continuing, he said. The most important arms deals, which were shrouded in secrecy, were known to the Western governments and in some instances the governments were directly involved, he said. "Surprisingly, Great Britain, the United States and Italy appear to have been responsible for the bulk of military sales to South Africa," he said. Mr. Gervasi said the statistics provided by the International Institute for Strategic Studies underestimated South Africa's strength in military equipment. "The new data show that the major Western powers have failed altogether to heed the call made by the United Nations Security Council in 1963," he said. "The shipment of arms and military equipment from Western countries to South Africa has been going on secretly for years." He said the arms delivered to South Africa ranged from sophisticated tanks and radar to self-propelled guns. This gave South Africa an awesome military capability it could use against its weaker black African neighbours, he said. "This raises the prospect that South Africa may adopt the Rhodesian formula as the liberation struggle against apartheid intensifies," he said, "and independent African nations may well expect heavy long-range raids into their territory, raids mounted with Western aircraft and armour."

## Sadat: We can normalise relations with Israel 5 years after accord

CAIRO, July 13 (R). — President Anwar Sadat said today his country could normalise relations with Israel five years after both sides implement a peace agreement. Speaking to a U.S. congressional group led by Mr. Lee Hamilton (Democrat, Indiana), President Sadat said: "normalisation of relations falls within the context of the sovereignty of any state." "After we sign a peace agreement and end the state of war we must be given some time to normalise our relations." The official Middle East News Agency, (MENA) which carried a text of Mr. Sadat's question-and-answer dialogue with the congressmen, quoted the president as saying: "After four wars over the past 24 years governed by hatred and violence during which we lost confidence in each other, we cannot begin opening our borders and establishing economic and diplomatic relations. "I would give it five years after setting up a new atmosphere. Everything will then turn to normal," MENA quoted Mr. Sadat as saying. He said Egypt would not implement the articles of any peace agreement with Israel until the last Israeli soldier had left the occupied Arab lands. "Ending the state of war will be the first article in any peace agreement we may reach at a Geneva conference," President Sadat said. "We will only agree to end the state of war, but it will not go into effect the last Israeli soldier has left... otherwise it will be an official invitation for Israel to continue its occupation of Arab lands," Mr. Sadat added. He said Israeli withdrawal might take three or six months, "and not more as the Israelis are dreaming." President Sadat also urged the United States to start a dialogue with the Palestine Liberation Organisation "which will make things easy for all of us." He said the point was raised with President Carter during his last visit to the United States. "I have made it clear that the Palestinians were completely ignored... Israel has the land and the recognition of the two super-powers in addition to 140 other countries while the Palestinians were even denied their human rights," President Sadat said. Informed sources said that following their meeting with President Sadat, two congressmen met PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat. Mr. Arafat told the congressmen the Palestinians want "full American recognition of Palestinian legitimate rights," the sources said. Mr. Arafat also discussed with the congressmen the U.S. position on Middle East problems. The two congressmen to meet Mr. Arafat at their own initiative. They had tried to arrange an earlier meeting in Damascus, but that fell through. Mr. Arafat arrived here yesterday for three days of talks with Egyptian officials following King Hussein's visit to Egypt last weekend. He conferred with President Sadat today. The radio quoted a political

## Owen: U.K., EEC will help in Mideast peace

LONDON, July 13 (R). — British Foreign Secretary David Owen today reiterated that Britain and its Common Market partners would play any part they could in achieving a Middle East peace settlement. "What will be needed over the next few months is patience, commitment and determination," he said in his speech prepared for delivery at the opening of the Arab-British Centre for Advancing Friendship and Understanding here. Dr. Owen added: "The time for statements is now over. The next few months must be a time for serious negotiations. The outlook if we fail to achieve peace in the Middle East can rarely have been so serious. There is no single issue in the world at present which is so crucial." Dr. Owen said the growing interdependence of the nine nation Economic Community and the Arab World underlined the important political interests they had in common -- above all in a just and lasting Middle East peace. He recalled that a statement issued by the Common Market summit meeting here on June 29 had made clear that the community nations were not only deeply concerned about the need for a peaceful settlement but "will play any part we can in achieving it."

## Bilateral negotiations

They said that as an alternative he would suggest bilateral negotiations with Syria, Egypt and Jordan under the joint sponsorship of the United States and the Soviet Union. Israeli Radio said the written document to be taken to Washington by the prime minister was entitled "Framework of an Israeli Plan to Foster the Peace Process." Mr. Begin said no details of the plan would be released because President Carter "is entitled to be the first to learn of it. We will publish our ideas after my meeting with the president." The radio quoted a political

## Suarez candidate fails to muster absolute majority as free Spanish parliament meets for first time in 40 years

MADRID, July 13 (R). — Spain's first democratically elected parliament in 40 years assembled for the first time today and the ruling coalition suffered an immediate setback. The centre-right Democratic Centre Union (UCD) led by Prime Minister Adolfo Suarez failed to muster an absolute majority in the election of the party's candidate, Senator Fernando Alvarez Miranda, as president of the Congress, or lower house, of the Cortes. In a second vote requiring only a simple majority, Senator Alvarez Miranda, a Christian Democrat lawyer, edged out Socialist candidate Luis Gomez Llorente by 169 votes to 139. The UNCED fell six votes short of the absolute majority required for the passage of bills in the new parliament which is to rewrite the constitution and tackle Spain's serious economic problems after a 20 per cent devaluation of the peseta yesterday. Looking worried, Senator Suarez, who led his coalition of Christian Democrats, Liberals and Social Democrats to victory in general elections last month, huddled with his aides after the first vote. UCD Senator Antonio Fontan Perez was voted president of the upper house, the Senate. Today's session was prepared for the formal opening of parliament by King Juan Carlos on July 22. Outside parliament, about 100 women demonstrating for the legalisation of abortion, birth control and divorce harangued deputies as they arrived. Police later asked the demonstrators to disperse. The demonstration showed the pressures on parliament from many fronts to overhaul the authoritarian system left by Gen. Franco's 40 years of rule. The black-garbed Communist Party president, Senora Dolores Ibarruri, shuffled up to Senator Suarez to wish him luck. "We'll need it," the premier replied. A hush fell on the house as Senora Ibarruri, 81, who won fame as "La Pasionaria" (Passion Flower) for her anti-Franco oratory during the 1936-39 civil war, took her seat. She was escorted to her seat by another communist, poet Rafael Alberti, 74. Both returned from exile only a few months ago and, as the oldest of the deputies, became acting vice presidents pending the election of the new board. Communist deputy Pilar Barbo, a 32-year-old blonde, raised eyebrows by sauntering into parliament wearing denim jeans.

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# Abu Odeh: Information imbalance will lead to frustration; a highly explosive situation

The news imbalance between the developed and the underdeveloped worlds is fast becoming a major topic of debate as the Third World struggles to liberate itself from last shackles of colonialism. A preparatory committee of broadcasting organisations of non-aligned countries ended two days of meetings in Amman last week, and delegates discussed the agenda for the high-powered Conference of Broadcast Organisations of Non-aligned Countries, to be held in the Yugoslav town of Srebo at the end of October. The Jordan Times took the chance to interview a member of the top delegates at the conference, starting with Jordan's Minister of Information, Mr. Adnan Abu Odeh, who discussed the need for decolonisation in the field of information and the various ways of cementing solidarity among non-aligned broadcasting organisations.

By Lina Gross  
Special to the Jordan Times

Many countries attained their political independence only to find that they were not completely decolonised in the economic and information fields. Mr. Adnan Abu Odeh stated that economic decolonisation is in progress, the minister added. Debates at the various United Nations agencies touch on this point. As to the third field of decolonisation, the Minister explained that the flow of information between the non-aligned and rich industrialised world is in favour of the latter. Naturally, the non-aligned countries, in a drive to integrate the political, economic and social sides of independence, should look upon information as one of the tools to achieve such a goal.

"Hence, high expectations without fulfillment lead to frustration and frustration provides the best environment for another foreign power to affect you in the way it likes, because the readiness to accept suggestiveness will be high in a frustrated situation."

Another area of imbalance, the minister added, is in the exchange of news. While some countries are speeding up news exchange by the use of communications satellites, some of the non-aligned countries do not even have proper airports for the despatch of news items, he said. Radio and television stations are supposed to be cultural vehicles and not vehicles for domination or tools used by one party against another, he added. "If we are honest about our objectives for world peace, for prosperity; if we are true and

tion between one country and the other.

"No country can live in isolation, even if it is self-imposed isolation. Interdependence is becoming more and more intensified in a world which has shrunk in size. Knowing about a country can help foster a more humane attitude, rather than a derogatory one. In this way, the achievements, as well as the shortcomings of a specific country, can be better appreciated."

The minister also proposed that a technical council be formed among non-aligned countries and suggested that competent engineers should make a survey in the 88 countries to study the technical situation in each.

"Within the one country, radio and television are to be viewed ideally as bonds linking society. We hope that in the world they will become bonds linking societies. If it is true to say that they are bonds for one society, I think it is equally true to say that they might become bonds for a world society," Mr. Abu Odeh said. The minister explained that since Jordan is a member of a regional organisation, the Arab Broadcasting Union, and two international unions (the European Broadcasting Union and the Asian Pacific Broadcasting Union), it has established good contacts with other radio and television stations all over the world.

"High expectations (caused by over-reliance on Western T.V. programmes) without fulfillment lead to frustration and frustration provides the best environment for another foreign power to affect you in the way it likes, because the readiness to accept suggestiveness will be high in a frustrated situation."



In an example, the Minister discussed the question of radio and television production in non-aligned countries. He commented that in order to fill the broadcasting hours, producers rely on programmes imported mainly from the West-Industrialised countries. The programmes of the non-aligned countries are those that derived from a certain cultural life, a certain attitude of which might not always mesh with our ambitions and relations and with our way of life and development," Mr. Odeh stressed. "I would say more than our children, the young of the non-aligned countries are living in a continuous state of frustration, because the viewing of such programmes raises their expectations which we cannot fulfill.

genuine in our belief in cultural interaction as the guarantee for peace and development, I think it is our right to struggle for a state of balance between the non-aligned and the rich industrialised countries. "This is what I call information decolonisation, which is in the interest of all people and all countries on this globe. Otherwise, we will continue to undergo a state of frustration, a state of imbalance, which will be very explosive and affect the relations between human beings." Due to the importance of coordination and cooperation among the 88 non-aligned countries, the minister strongly emphasised the need for the establishment of a coordinating centre that will act as a nerve centre for the exchange and reciprocation of informa-

"We benefit from their experience. We are also able to convey to them how Jordan is progressing in various fields, especially concerning information. Jordan Television, for example, has been able to establish itself as one of the most effective television stations in the Middle East because of such relations."

The minister said that Jordan is already a centre for news exchange. It exchanges news with the European Broadcasting Union and distributes such information in the Middle East region. This has put Jordan in a privileged and distinguished position and might enable Jordan to lend its expertise and provide training for broadcasting personnel from other non-aligned countries, he stressed.

The minister expressed the hope that the forthcoming non-aligned broadcasting conference will recommend the formation of programme banks, an organised system of programme exchange amongst member-states and the adoption of concrete proposals for finding the appropriate means to cooperate with more advanced countries in order to achieve a balanced relationship.

The minister stated that the non-aligned countries should have one unified position. He cited Rhodesia as an example, where non-aligned countries should have a common stand to help it attain independence.

As for other international issues, such as economic coordination or the elimination of domination of the underdeveloped by the advanced countries, he reiterated that a unified attitude is again vital, especially since international issues have, in a sense, a common denominator.

To conclude, the minister stated that radio and television should be used as a catalyst for achieving development and attaining a state of equilibrium amongst the various countries of the world.

## NATIONAL NOTES

\* AMMAN. — Egyptian President Anwar Sadat sent a cable of congratulations to His Majesty King Hussein on the occasion of the marriage of Princess Alia, the King's eldest daughter, to Naser Mirza on Monday. In his cable, President Sadat wished the couple eternal happiness and good luck.

\* JEDDAH. — Saudi Minister of Municipal and Rural Affairs Prince Majid bin Abdul Aziz Wednesday received Jordan's Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, Dr. Nassereddine Assad, to discuss bilateral relations.

\* AMMAN. — Minister of Education Dr. Abdul Salam Al Majali met with an expert on education at the Qatari Embassy here Tuesday. They discussed the strengthening of cultural relations and the possibility of using Jordanian educational expertise in Qatar.

\* AMMAN. — A royal decree issued Tuesday appointed Dr. Adel Afifi as Dean of the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Jordan and nominated former dean, Dr. Frank Howarth, as advisor to the university president on medical studies.

\* AMMAN. — The Cabinet Tuesday allocated JD 300,000 to finance the laboratories of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology at the University of Jordan. This sum is the estimated amount to be received as duties from a number of new banks to be opened in Jordan.

\* AMMAN. — Minister of Labour Issam Ajlouni presided over a meeting at the Ministry of Labour Tuesday to discuss the development of social work in Jordan and ways of increasing the authority of local social directors in the various governorates as a step towards achieving decentralisation.

## U.S. gives additional \$22m to UNRWA

AMMAN (J.T.). — The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) Wednesday announced that the U.S. had pledged an additional \$22 million for UNRWA's 1977 programme.

This pledge brings the total U.S. contribution to UNRWA for 1977 to \$48.7 million.

UNRWA's deficit for 1977 presently stands at \$17.6 million in a budget of \$135 million.

The agency provides food rations, education and health services for about one million displaced Palestinians living in camps.

## Carter approves Alia N.Y. flights

WASHINGTON, July 12 (R). — President Jimmy Carter has approved foreign air carrier permits for the airlines of Jordan and Syria, the U.S. Civil Aeronautics Board said today.

Alia, the Royal Jordanian Airline, and Syrian Arab Airways, are operating twice-weekly flights to New York from Damascus and Amman.

## Steps taken to ratify education accord with Oman

MUSCAT, July 13 (JNA). — Instruments for ratification of a cultural and educational agreement between Jordan and Oman were exchanged at the Omani Ministry of Education today.

The Omani side was represented by Minister of Education Ahmad Abdullah Al Ghazali and the Jordanian by Ambassador Suhail Al Tai.

Jordan is helping Oman in the educational field, particularly concerning curricula and textbooks.



The royal party triumphantly enters Karak to preside over silver jubilee celebrations held in the town Wednesday. See story page 1. (JNA photo).

## ISLAMIC WORLD FETES ASCENSION OF MOHAMMAD

AMMAN (JNA). — Jordan and the Islamic world Wednesday celebrated the Isra and Mi'raj commemorating the ascension of the Prophet Mohammad to heaven.

His Majesty King Hussein received cables of good wishes on this occasion from Prime Minister Mudar Badran, Speaker of the Upper House Bahjat Talhouni, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces Lt.-Gen. Sharif Zeid bin Shaker, Mayor of Amman Mu'awiyah Abu Nuwwar and the directors of the General Intelligence, Public Security and Civil Defence Departments.

Mr. Abu Nuwwar also sent cables of good wishes to their Highnesses Crown Prince Hassan and Prince Mohammad.

The Ministry of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs held a religious ceremony at Al Hussein mosque here Wednesday afternoon.

A large number of the ministry's officials attended the ceremony, as well as Islamic religious figures and scores of citizens.

## Australian M.P.s here to gauge M.E. climate

AMMAN (JNA). — An Australian parliamentary delegation arrived here from Damascus Wednesday afternoon for a five-day visit to Jordan. It will meet with King Hussein and Prince Hassan.

Delegates will also confer with Prime Minister Mudar Badran, Speaker of the Upper

House Bahjat Talhouni and members of the parliament.

The delegation's visit to Jordan comes as part of a tour to Arab countries to get to know the various viewpoints on the Middle East crisis.

On their way to Amman, the Australian parliamentarians visited the historic town of Jarash.

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# Bank of Spain defends peseta devaluation

MADRID, July 13 (R). — Spain spent \$1 billion of precious foreign currency reserves in the past few weeks trying to keep the peseta at an artificially high level, Bank of Spain Governor Jose Maria Lopez de Letona said last night.

Explaining yesterday's decision to devalue the peseta by 19.9 per cent, Senor Lopez de Letona said on television that

the country could not go supporting an over-valued currency.

The devaluation was intended to cut the present trade deficit of \$4.3 billion a year stimulating exports and curbing imports, he said.

It also gave an unexpected bonus to foreign tourists -- more than 30 million are expected this year -- who will now get about 20 per cent more pesetas when they change their money into the local currency.

This in turn should boost the income of Spanish hotels, bars, shops and restaurants.

But many financial analysts here doubted whether Spain could afford to cut back on imports significantly since many of the imports, such as oil and machinery are vital to the economy.

After a meeting lasting nearly two-and-a-half hours with Prime Minister Adolfo Suarez last night, Communist leader Santiago Carrillo said the government's economic measures were adequate though incomplete.

The government has promised to negotiate the implementation of its measures with the opposition parties. The programme calls for wage restraint and the introduction of a wealth tax and death duties.

Senor Carrillo said the government did not seem to intend to make the working classes bear the cost of the crisis. If this was true, it would be possible to deal with the economic

problems in a very positive way, he added.

"We should all lend a hand in the task of setting this country straight. Our democracy is young and very fragile and we must all collaborate in maintaining it," the communist leader said.

## Dollar falls on foreign exchanges

FRANKFURT, West Germany July 13 (R). — The dollar fell on foreign exchange markets today following a Washington report that the Carter administration would not intervene to boost its value.

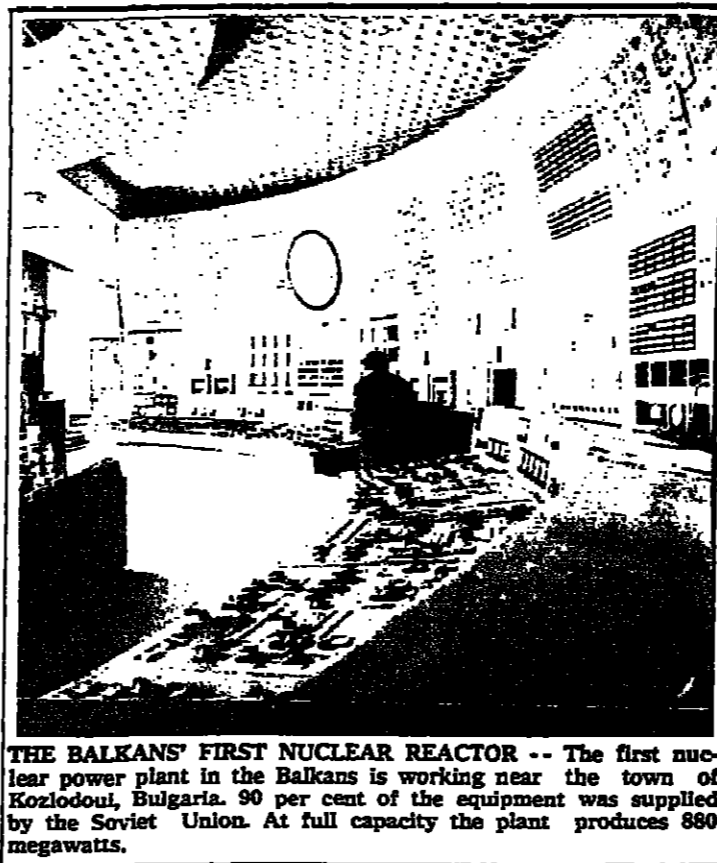
Senior administration sources said yesterday it was happy with the dollar's recent fall against other currencies, seen in Washington as a market reaction to predictions of a huge U.S. trade deficit this year.

In hectic trading on the West German Foreign Exchange Market today, the dollar fell again, to a 28-month low of 2.2760 marks, dealers said. It was fixed at 2.2890 yesterday.

Sterling fell in sympathy reaching its lowest since last November, at 3.918 marks.

In Paris, the French franc strengthened against the dollar to 4.8550 today from 4.8622 overnight. The mark moved to 2.1325 francs, a record trading high.

A \$20 billion U.S. trade shortfall has been predicted for 1977.



THE BALKANS' FIRST NUCLEAR REACTOR -- The first nuclear power plant in the Balkans is working near the town of Kozlodouk, Bulgaria. 90 per cent of the equipment was supplied by the Soviet Union. At full capacity the plant produces 880 megawatts.

## Carter is optimistic about U.S. economy despite negative signs

WASHINGTON, July 13 (R). — President Carter said yesterday he was optimistic about the American economy despite recent signs of weakness.

"I think there's a general uncertainty in the world about future economic circumstances,"

But he added: "I've been impressed with the long-range projections that have been given to me."

Growth in the U.S. economy has become a key to the well-being not only of the United

States but also of its trading partners.

The U.S. Department of Commerce recently reported that its composite index of industrial production for the major U.S. trading partners declined 0.7 per cent in April and now stands only 0.5 per cent above the end of 1976.

American industrial production, by contrast, rose 2.3 per cent in the same period, and the country's \$10 billion trade deficit over that time was taken as evidence that the

NEW YORK, July 13 (R). — Lawyers for British Airways and Air France said in court today that the operators of Kennedy Airport never had any intention of allowing the Concorde supersonic airliner to land in New York.

Lawyer John Welles said the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey was acting under political pressure in refusing to determine whether Concorde could land at the airport.

The orders were passed: Ban the Concorde", Mr. Welles said, noting opposition to the Anglo-French plane by New York Governor Hugh Carey.

Mr. Welles was introducing the airlines' case against the Port Authority. They maintain that the authority's 16-month ban on Concorde is unreasonable and discriminatory and should be struck down by the court.

Today's hearing was ordered by the U.S. Court of Ap-

## Lawyer blames political bias for Concorde's ban

peals, which ruled last month that the Port Authority had the right to set noise limits on Concorde. But the court also said the authority must be reasonable in setting those limits.

Mr. Welles, who came to court armed with six bulging briefcases filled with legal documents, concentrated his argument on a brief filed by the Carter administration at the request of the appeals court.

The brief said a case could be made that the Port Authority had dragged its feet in refusing to come to a decision on noise limits for Concorde.

It also said that this delay, if found to be unreasonable, could be grounds for admitting Concorde to Kennedy Airport,

the main U.S. aviation gateway to Europe.

Mr. Welles said: "There is serious reason to doubt whether the Port Authority ever intended to give a fair hearing to Concorde at Kennedy Airport."

"Since the governor of the state of New York has the power to veto any decision made by the Port Authority (he has) power to dictate the actions made by the Port Authority commissioners."

Thus Mr. Welles argued when the Port Authority received on March 11, 1976, a ban on Concorde pending a further noise study, in fact it was acting on Governor Carey's orders.

## CIA reports decrease in Chinese oil output

BEIJING, July 13 (R). — China's growth rate in oil production fell again in the first six months of this year, it was revealed today.

The New China News Agency reported crude oil output was only 10 per cent higher in January to June this year than the same six month period in 1976.

Last year's annual growth was officially reported to have been 13 per cent up on the previous year. Until 1976 China's rate of increase in oil production was even higher -- averaging 20 per cent or more annually.

The official media never gives absolute figures but a recent Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) survey put crude output in 1976 at about 1.7 million barrels a day, comparable with that of Indonesia.

The survey, published early this month, predicted a continuing decline in the rate of growth which might reach between 2.4 and 2.8 million barrels a day by 1980, most of which would be absorbed domestically.

Assuming an annual rate of 10 per cent production increase (equal to the rate so far this year) China's prime reserves could be exhausted in 20 years, according to the CIA.

## Boeing taps wind power

WASHINGTON, July 13 (R). — The Boeing Aircraft Company is to build the world's biggest windmill as part of an experiment to see if wind turbines can generate electricity at reasonable cost.

The U.S. National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) said yesterday the windmill would have a rotor span of 91 metres.

The contract with Boeing to design, build and test the windmill would be worth about \$10 million, it said.

NASA said the windmill would produce about 2,500 kilowatts of electricity with average wind speeds of 14 miles per hour. The site will be chosen later.

Other companies are building smaller windmills for tests at sites with higher average wind speeds.

### News Focus

## Riyadh prepares ahead for 1981's waste disposal needs

By C. E. Tiffen

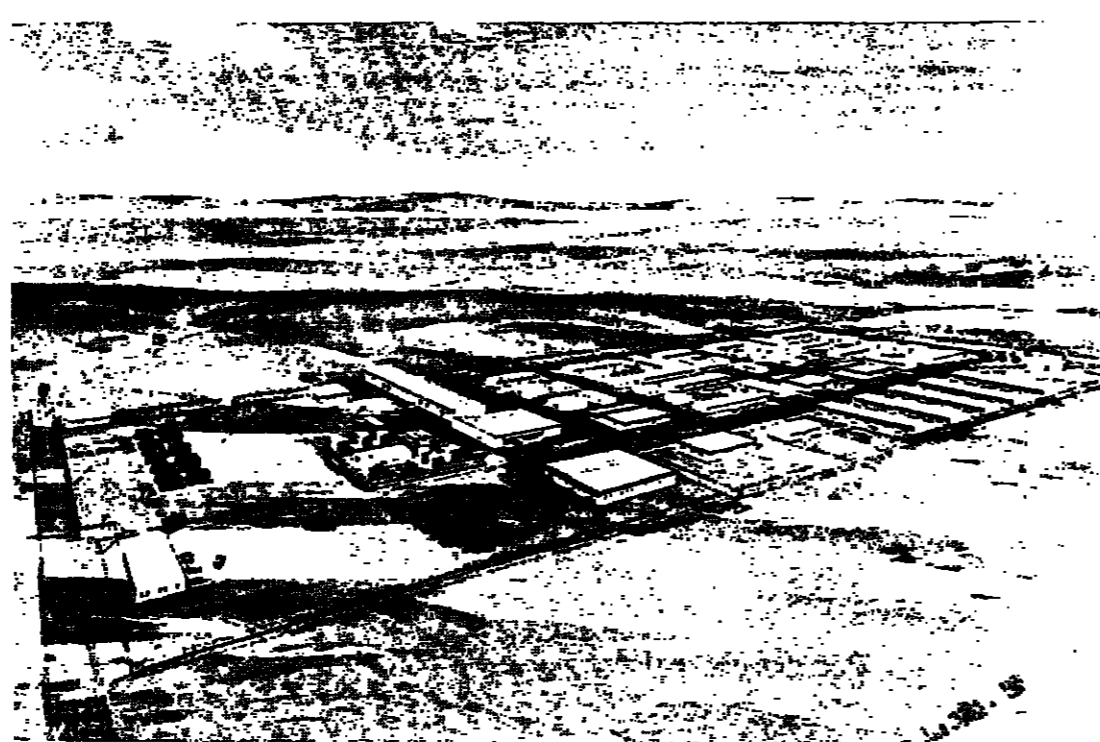
RIYADH (LPS). — Riyadh, Saudi Arabia's capital, is building a small satellite district on its eastern fringe -- a working living complex for 2000 people who will help to keep the city clean and healthy as the population soars to one million by 1981. At present it totals 600,000.

Population growth and a changing life-style bring new problems to any big urban area. Already plans are in hand for Riyadh's new drainage and sewage treatment system but provision has also to be made for dealing with solid wastes.

Regular, safe disposal of these becomes necessary not only because of the numbers of people. Rising spending power increases turnover of expendable consumer goods, so that bulky items such as disused cars, furniture, bedding, cookers and refrigerators are added to the normal discarded daily products of living. And the introduction of wide ranges of manufactured goods into an economy brings with it large quantities of packaging materials.

100,000 tons of waste

Coping with concentrations of both liquid and solid wastes are public services which have received much attention in Britain since the turn of the century. Rapid industrialisation and expansion of towns has led to research and development work which has produced a special expertise.



This is an artist's impression of the self-contained miniature town planned for the outskirts of Riyadh to accommodate personnel employed by Waste Management-Saudi Pritchard for the Saudi Arabian capital's five year sanitation services project.

In the case of Riyadh the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs has placed a contract with an international consortium for refuse collection, street cleansing and waste disposal services for the whole city. It is estimated that Riyadh will generate 100,000 tons of waste yearly by 1981.

read over five years will cost around 849 million Saudi Riyals (approximately £140 million). All this will be undertaken by Saudi-Pritchard, an associate company of Pritchard Services Group Ltd. of Harrow, London, England, together with Waste Management Inc. of the United States of America.

Landfill material

Focal point of the scheme is the main disposal site where all the collected solid wastes will be used as landfill material and tipped under hygienic conditions to obviate nuisance from insects or other pests.

An incinerator will be provided on site to accept pathological waste, animal carcasses, toxic wastes and so on. The resultant ash and clinker

will be included with the other material used in landfill.

At the site a central maintenance depot is being built for servicing the fleet of 300 vehicles of all kinds which will be involved. Stores and administration offices will also be located here. But the service will involve a workforce of some 2000 people -- so they will be housed in good accommodation in the miniature town being built for them. This will provide not only homes but also catering facilities, health services, and recreational and religious buildings.

The first? Riyadh is believed to be the first capital city anywhere to put out a complete contract for the setting up of a total

cleansing service as one operation. The consortium will undertake the work in conjunction with the municipality of Riyadh.

Daily collections of refuse will be made from flats, villas and other dwellings, government establishments, shops, hotels, restaurants, hospitals, markets, workshops, offices and factories. There will also be a full street cleansing and market cleansing service.

Individual multi-family refuse storage containers will be provided for multi-occupancy premises or congested areas, and individual bins for easily accessible premises. Public litter bins will be placed on the walkways of the main thoroughfares. Teams of street orderlies supplemented by mechanical sweeper vehicles will ensure that the streets are cleared of litter every day.

Assembled refuse will be carried to transfer points established throughout the city, or collected by compactor vehicles and transferred directly to the disposal site. Stationary compaction plants installed at transfer stations and large industrial premises will reduce the gross volume of the refuse so that it can be more easily and hygienically removed in bulk transfer vehicles to the main site.

## LOCAL EXCHANGE RATES

Following are official exchange rates in effect at the close of today's business day, as set by the Central Bank of Jordan.

The first column is how much you would receive in Jordanian fils for selling a unit of the foreign currency, while the second column denotes how much it would cost you to buy a unit of the foreign currency:

Saudi riyal	82.5	83.0
Lebanese pound	107.5	108.0
Syrian pound	80.9	81.2
Iraqi dinar	940	945
Kuwaiti dinar	1137	1141
Egyptian pound	467	477
Libyan dinar	740	750
UAE dirham	83.5	84.5
U.K. sterling	569	575
U.S. dollar	330	332
German mark	140.3	140.7
French franc	67	67.3
Swiss franc	132.3	132.7
Italian lira (for every 100)	34.7	37.6

## ECONOMIC NEWS BRIEFS

### Fraser may delay uranium decision

\* CANBERRA, July 13 (R). — Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser suggested here today that there might be a delay in announcing whether Australia intended to mine its uranium reserves -- estimated to be 20 per cent of the Western World's total stocks. Mr. Fraser had been expected to announce before next Friday that mining and export of the nuclear fuel could resume. The prime minister told a National Press Club lunch the issues involved were too important to decide overnight.

### Arab fund pledges aid to Djibouti

\* CAIRO, July 13 (R). — The Fund for Technical Aid for Arab and African Countries has decided to give Djibouti \$1.5 million annually, a spokesman for the fund said here today. The fund, with headquarters in Cairo, has a capital of \$25 million through contributions by Arab countries.

### Oil shale deposits found near Jerusalem

\* HAIFA, Israel, July 13 (R). — Large oil shale deposits have been found near Jerusalem, and there is enough high quality shale available to meet Israel's electric power needs for the next 20 years, experts of the Mechanical Engineering Department at the Haifa Institute of Technology revealed here today.

### Libya, Yugoslavia conclude 2 contracts

\* BELGRADE, July 13 (R). — The Yugoslav firm Energoinvest signed a \$30 million contract with the Libyan Jamahiriya Electrical Projects Company (ELPCCO) to build 14 power transmission stations in Libya, official sources said today. Another Yugoslav firm, the Yugoslavia Projekt, concluded a contract with the Libyan Jamahiriya Communication Ministry to draw up plans for the 860-km. railway from the port of Misurata to the southern town of Sebha, the Belgrade newspaper Politika reported. Value of the contract was not disclosed. The plans for the Misurata-Brachm-sebha railway should be completed in 14 months, according to the contract.

### Iranian delegation visits Moscow

\* TEHRAN, July 13 (R). — An Iranian delegation has left here for Moscow on a nine day visit to inspect Soviet nuclear installations, the official radio reported today. The delegation was led by Dr. Akbar Etemad, head of the Atomic Energy Organisation of Iran, who is to resume negotiations in two weeks time on buying up to eight U.S. nuclear power plants.

## FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies against the dollar at the close of inter-bank trading on the London Foreign Exchange Market yesterday. Tourist rates will differ from those quoted below.

One sterling	= 1.7205 / 07	U.S. dollars
One dollar	= 2.2798 / 808	West German mark
	2.4460 / 75	Dutch guilder
	35.50 / 53	Belgian franc
	4.8590 / 610	French franc
	882.35 / 50	Italian lira
	264.25 / 40	Japanese yen
	4.3440 / 70	Swedish crowns
	5.2580 / 620	Norwegian crowns
	5.9500 / 30	Danish crowns

## WALL STREET REPORT

The stock exchange was off again on Wednesday as the industrial average wandered around the 900 mark in moderate trading. Finally, it closed at 902.99, off 0.42 points.

Investors appeared to be troubled that retail sales dipped in June for the third consecutive month. Declines outnumbered advances by a narrow 687 to 684 margin.

Chemicals were mixed. Copper, department stores, gold mines were off. Airlines were slightly up. Xerox gained 1-1/4 at 50-1/4. Atlantic Richfield gained 1-1/8 at 58-3/8. IBM gained 1-5/8 at 26-1/8. Lockheed gained 1-1/4 at 17-1/4.

At the close, the industrial average shows at 902.99, a loss of 0.42 points; Transp at 236.07, a loss of 0.34; utilities at 117.65, a gain of 0.22. 23,160,000 shares changed hands, of which 5,320,000 during the last hour.

## LONDON MARKET REPORT

The market was steady Wednesday with a firm undertone to very quiet trading, dealers said. At 15:00 the F.T. index was up 3.0 at 449.3.

Lack of sellers and small investment demand in a thin market pushed government bonds up by as much as 3/4 point. Equity leaders rose up to 8p.

Gold shares were narrowly mixed, along with Canadian and U.S. dollar shares.

Decca rose 13p to 322 on buying in a thin market. Gains of 6p to 8p were scored by Fisons, Reckitt and Chimman, Tate and Lyle, Bank and Unilever. Banks firmed up to 8p.

The new ordinary shares in London Scottish and marine oil were traded for the first time. Having opened at 160p against an offer price of 155p, they touch 171p before softening to 170 at the close.

Scottish and Newcastle breweries rose 2-1/2p to 82-1/2p following the announcement of their earnings.

Price of gold closed in London Wednesday at \$132.00/100.

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# Your Daily HOROSCOPE

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**GENERAL TENDENCIES:** Although you are in the midst of some confusion and emotionalism now, you find you have the ability to do something of an unusual or progressive nature that can impress those who may appear to be critical. Be wary of one with a greedy streak.

**ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)** Fundamental affairs should be first on the agenda now. A new project appeals to you, but don't go into it as yet. Objectivity is important now.

**TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20)** Have a more up-to-date approach at home affairs and better the condition there. Help to make any changes that are important and right.

**GEMINI (May 21 to June 21)** Maintain present security and do whatever will add to it. Don't commit yourself to anything that could prove disastrous.

**MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21)** You feel dissatisfied so do something constructive instead of complaining. Take time to enjoy good friends but don't irk them in any way.

**LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21)** Carry through with some responsibility you have or you could easily get into trouble. Try to placate a loved one who is not in a good mood.

**VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22)** If there is an important change you want to make, study it well and wait for a better time to do so. A good friend can show how to gain some personal aim easily. Be careful of outsiders now.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)** Show that you are an excellent citizen and a bigwig will be helpful to you now. Handle a credit affair wisely instead of postponing it again. Spend more time at home.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)** Any new goals you may have should be studied carefully. Make sure they are the right ones for you. Your intuition is not working well now but can be relied upon later.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)** Keep any promises you have made and try not to renege on them or you get into trouble. Avoid that tendency to downgrade a loved one and maintain harmony instead. Be more generous.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20)** Don't argue with partners because you are not familiar with all the facts and figures involved, but get these clear in your mind first. Take no chances where reputation is concerned.

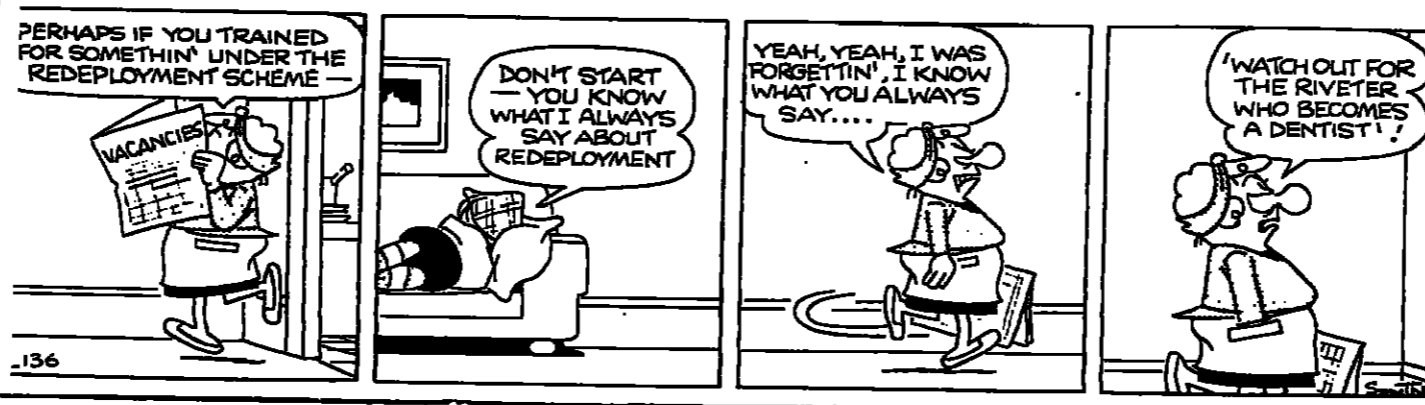
**AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19)** It is important you carry through with work at hand despite the many interruptions that may come up. Control your emotions and have better health. Take any needed treatments.

**PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20)** Before you give up tried and true pleasures be sure you have something better to replace it. If you use sarcasm with a loved one, you will regret it later. Be wise in money matters.

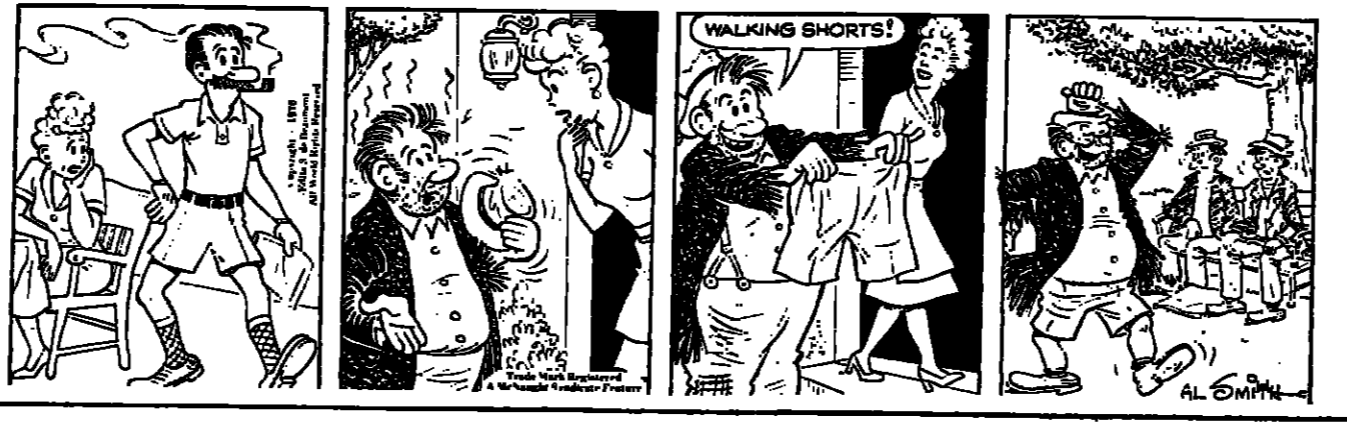
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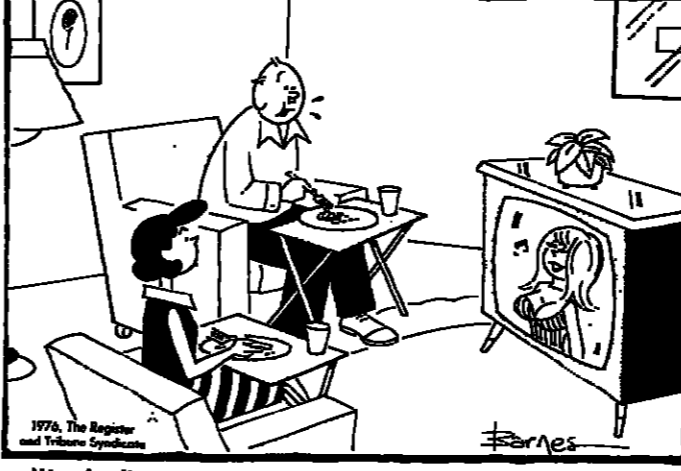
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## THE BETTER HALF



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Fame is fickle and triumph is only transitory.

## GORED BRIDGE

BY CHARLES H. GOREN AND OMAR SHARIF  
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Both vulnerable. North deals.

**NORTH**  
♠ Q7  
♥ K87  
♦ A75  
♣ KJ962

**WEST**  
♠ K42  
♥ Q102  
♦ J1098  
♣ 875

**EAST**  
♠ 653  
♥ 53  
♦ K642  
♣ A Q103

**SOUTH**  
♠ A J1098  
♥ A J964  
♦ Q3  
♣ 4

The bidding:  
North East South West  
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass  
1 NT Pass 3♥ Pass  
3 NT Pass 4♥ Pass  
Pass Pass

Opening lead: Jack of ♣.

Apparently, East had never heard that half a loaf is better than none. As a result, he turned a small profit into a large loss in quick time.

With ten cards in the major suits, South was understandably reluctant to play in three no trump. When he rebid his hearts he offered his partner a choice of suits in which to play, and North passed because he held three hearts and only two spades—with equal length, he would have preferred spades, since South might have a six-card spade suit and only five hearts.

West led the top of his diamond sequence, declarer played low from dummy and East won the king. He shifted to a spade. Declarer rose with the ace, taking care to unblock dummy's queen, which cashed the queen of diamonds and ace of hearts, then entered dummy with a trump to the king. On the ace of diamonds he discarded his singleton club, and cheerfully conceded a trick in each major to the defenders.

"Why are you clinging to your ace of clubs? Don't you believe in taking setting tricks?" West inquired of his partner.

"But I would have set up dummy's king had I cashed the ace," moaned East.

"It would help if you could count to 13," West retorted. "The bidding marked South with at least 10 cards in the major suits. From the opening lead, it was obvious that he held the queen of diamonds, and he followed with a low diamond when you won the king at trick one. Thus, you could account for 12 of declarer's cards. It was not very difficult to deduce that South could not hold more than one club, and that that card was due to go away on the ace of diamonds. Setting up the king of clubs couldn't possibly help declarer, so what was the hurry about shifting to a spade? If South had a loser in that suit, how could he avoid giving it up?"

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Answer: Where decisions in cases of injury are apt to be made—"IN-JURY"

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Paul Warnke says in Geneva

# U.S., U.K., USSR may consider a temporary halt to nuclear tests

GENEVA, July 13 (R). — Mr. Paul Warnke, chief U.S. disarmament negotiator, said today that America, the Soviet Union and Britain, in private talks here, might consider temporarily halting all nuclear weapons tests.

But he added that the discussions, aimed at exploring the prospects for negotiating a comprehensive nuclear test ban treaty, were at a very preliminary stage. He could give no indication when a full test ban agreement might be ready.

Answering reporters' questions before the opening of the talks in the Soviet diplomatic mission here, Mr. Warnke said the U.S. had held separate meetings with Soviet and British officials last month, but issues such as a moratorium remained to be explored.

Dr. Igor Morokhov, chief of the State Committee on Atomic Energy, headed the Soviet delegation at today's meeting, and Mr. Percy Cradock, Ambassador in East Berlin, led the British team.

They are trying to break a

14-year deadlock that has prevented a 1963 treaty banning nuclear weapons tests in the atmosphere, outer space and under water from being extended to underground blasts.

Mr. Warnke told reporters: "We are just at the very preliminary stages. We will have to find out if there is a sufficient area of agreement so that we can look forward to some sort of prompt resolution of the major issues and therefore the possibility of a moratorium."

"But it is really too early to tell, as yet."

Mr. Warnke gave no hint of how long the consultations, being held alternatively in the Soviet, U.S. and British missions, would last, or when the negotiators hoped to reach any agreement.

He said he hoped the negotiations could move forward to a complete test ban within a reasonably short time.

But he added: "I can't define what that reasonably short period of time might be."

Mr. Warnke said the major problems to be tackled by the negotiators were the treaty's scope, how to ensure there was no cheating, and how the agreement would be implemented and reviewed.

Differences between the U.S. and the Soviet Union over policing the treaty have been a major stumbling block to efforts to extend the partial test ban treaty to underground blasts.

The Soviet Union has said it would agree to voluntary on-site inspections, but the U.S. has previously insisted there should be "adequate" checks to ensure states were keeping to a ban on weapons tests.

# Sabbath traffic might split Israeli cabinet

TEL AVIV, July 13 (AFP). — Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin's three-week-old regime emerged safe yesterday after a rabbi-mayor in a small coalition party agreed not to attack the government for allowing traffic on the Sabbath.

But observers said the potential threat to the coalition from the orthodox religious Agudat Israel Party, could remain as long as the traffic controversy simmered.

The controversy followed attempts by local authorities to ban Sabbath traffic in the Tel Aviv suburb of Bnei Brak where there have been clashes between religious and non-religious supporters in the last ten days.

The acting Mayor in Bnei Brak, Rabbi Yitzhak Meir, only agreed at the last minute not to call a meeting of Agudat Israel, at which he planned to say it was difficult for the party to remain in a coalition government which wanted to open hitherto closed streets to Sabbath traffic.

The coalition, dominated by Mr. Begin's rightwing Likud group, was meanwhile continuing negotiations with the Democratic Movement for Change, which did not join the coalition after Israel's May election.

The Bnei Brak affair itself centred on Hachomer Street, a main highway, and showed no signs of abating yesterday as the suburb's religious leaders appealed for mass prayer in the street on Thursday night in protest against "desecration of the Sabbath."

At the same time non-religious Israelis, mainly non-residents of Bnei Brak, planned a demonstration in Hachomer Street on Friday night, in protest against the closure of a central highway, and in memory of a 22-year-old man who died there ten days ago when his car hit a chain fence which had been put up.

# Turkey's army head slams talk of military role in politics

ANKARA, July 13 (R). — Turkey's army Chief-of-Staff, Gen. Semih Sancar, today demanded an end to speculation that the military might take a hand in the nation's political and economic crises.

Gen. Sancar said in a statement that provocative comments about the military should stop and that "legal procedures" should be taken against their instigators.

Gen. Sancar is widely regarded as having friendly links with ex-Premier Suleyman Demirel, who is expected to form Turkey's next government and to resume office shortly.

Mr. Demirel was ousted as premier in last month's elections but is now trying to form a new coalition following the defeat in a confidence vote of the minority government of Mr. Bulent Ecevit.

Leading businessmen and labour leaders said today they doubt whether Mr. Demirel's rightwing coalition would be able to do anything to solve Turkey's economic and political dilemmas than it did in the two-and-a-half years up to last month's elections.

Mr. Hali Tunc, chief of Turkey's biggest labour confederation, Turk-Is, yesterday threatened a general strike if the coalition was confirmed in power, and he urged all constitutional institutions, including the armed forces, to take a stand against it.

Some sources here believe

this call was part of the reason for Gen. Sancar's statement. But Mr. Tunc denied to a reporter today that he had been urging any active army intervention.

# Kuwait airport on bomb alert

\* KUWAIT, July 13 (R). — Security has been tightened at Kuwait International Airport following bomb hoaxes, the Qatar News Agency reported here today. The agency said restrictions imposed yesterday meant that only people with flight tickets and passports would be allowed in or out of the airport. The newspaper Al Watan said authorities were told anonymously that two bombs had been planted in the departure and arrival lounges but the bomb squad found nothing.

# Ethiopia rewards woman, man for clubbing "rebel" to death

ADDIS ABABA, 13 July (AFP). — A woman and four men who recently killed a "rebel" by clubbing him to death were rewarded with money and arms in southeastern Shekora and Menjar District, the official daily Addis Zemen reported here today. The woman, Feleketch Kifla, was awarded the equivalent of \$100 and the men rifles and ammunition, the newspaper said. They were responsible for the killing recently of Dejazmach Asrat Getaneh, "ring leader of a band of counter-revolutionaries" in the area, the paper said. The rewards were handed out by a member of the ruling Provisional Military Administrative Council (Dergue). Meanwhile, in the eastern Harrar Province, a businessman who was being harassed by "infiltrators" killed 16 of the bandits single-handed before he escaped, the Ethiopian News Agency said in a report.

# S.W. France assesses damage of weekend floods

AUCH, Southwest France, July 13 (AFP). — Southwestern France was yesterday starting to pick itself up after catastrophic floods which devastated much of the region at the weekend.

In Auch, roads were cleared and tap water was again considered drinkable. Electric lighting was restored but gas was still partially cut off.

Damaged vehicles still littered the region while local inhabitants were organising hunts to drive out rats which had taken refuge in the upper part of the town from the flood waters.

During the day funeral services were held for four of six victims officially known to

have died in the flood. Five people were still missing.

Throughout the region the army was backing up local efforts to bring order back to the hard-hit towns and villages. Auch municipal authorities were also providing free meals for people forced out of their homes by the rising waters and summer camp organisers offered to take in children left homeless by the flood.

Meanwhile three more people have appeared in court on charges of looting from flood-stricken shops. On Friday a looter was sentenced to three years on a prison farm.

Everywhere farmers were trying to piece together an assessment of the damage.

The Lot and Garonne Department authorities yesterday announced a provisional assessment of about 15 million francs (\$3 million) worth of damage. But this figure did not take into account agricultural losses.

A survey had shown that 8 million francs worth of damage was caused to commercial and industrial concerns while some 5 million more were lost in damage to private houses and buildings. Altogether 638 houses were badly hit by the flood water while 14 were totally destroyed.

Repair work to the Bordeaux-Agen rail line meant trains were moving again and all except one major highway had been reopened.

The National Federation of Farmers' Trade Unions (FNSEA) was now pressing for a special payment to the Agricultural Catastrophe Fund to help compensate farmers for their losses.

Contrary to some allegations that the land had been made vulnerable to flooding by deforestation, specialists in the area said yesterday that no surface-sand, clay, or even a densely-wooded area could have absorbed and drained away the rainfall on the night of July 7.

It was estimated that 154 mm. fell that night, a rainfall which specialists said was "phenomenal" for the region.

# British trade with Middle East in for boost with creation of new container service

By W. H. Owens

LONDON (LPS). — The flow of goods from Britain to the Arab World will increase still further as the result of new and proposed commercial links between major British shipping and transport concerns and their Middle East partners.

The newly formed Arabian Peninsula Container Line (APCL), which on 25 April 1977 started regular sailings from England to the Gulf, offers more services to more ports. It is a joint operation by the United Arab Shipping Company and P. and O. Strath-Ellerman Services.

Recently the London based P. and O. Group has been pursuing other links with Arab interests, including road transport in Arabia and holiday travel in Egypt.

APCL is an expansion of the

successful P. and O. Strath-Ellerman container service, inaugurated earlier this year (1977) to complement the extensive conventional cargo services to Gulf and other Middle East ports. Two sister ships, Strathmuir and Strathway, with a capacity of 310 six metre containers, operate this service from Liverpool -- with a third vessel from Tilbury, London -- sailing direct to Dubai and Muttrah.

With the start of the APCL service the sailing frequency increased from a 21 day to an 11 day cycle, and additional direct calls are made at Damman and Bahrain.

Doha, Abu Dhabi and other leading trading centres in the United Arab Emirates are served via Dubai. The service is being marketed jointly by P. and O. Strath Services and the United Arab Shipping Company.

Another fast expanding con-

tainer service is that operated to the Red Sea ports of Jeddah and Aqaba by the Cunard Arabian Middle East Line (CAMEL). This was launched from Felixstowe, England, and Rotterdam in May 1976 with one vessel, the 6,500 ton Jeddah Crown.

Since then almost 3,000 containers have been carried to all points in the Middle East on through bills of lading, covering areas as far apart as Baghdad, Doha and Kuwait, in addition to the two discharging ports.

In the first half of this year two additional ships of the same tonnage -- Aqaba Crown and Saudi Crown -- are joining the CAMEL service, so increasing the frequency of sailings to the Gulf from Europe from 28 day intervals to 10 days. From May, container loading was extended to the port of Hamburg.

In a joint venture with Saudi Arabian interests Cunard is to develop a road haulage operation in the Arabian Peninsula linked to the expanded container shipping service. An investment of more than £25 million over the next four or five years is planned.

In the meantime Cunard has spent some £300,000 on dockside equipment at Jeddah for the faster and more efficient handling of containers.

The flexibility of modern containership operations has proved particularly useful in the Gulf area and numbers of Gulf and other Middle East ports are now being developed for this. For example, improvements at Jeddah include a new container park which will also accommodate trailers.

Containerships have a very fast turnaround and so have been able to claim priority berthing at many harbours.

# In vehement attack on Giscard Mitterrand threatens to limit powers of French president

PARIS, July 13 (AFP). — French Socialist leader Francois Mitterrand yesterday publicly warned President Valery Giscard d'Estaing that the left will immediately take steps to cut back his power if it wins control of parliament in the general elections next year.

In one of his most vehement attacks yet on the French president, Mr. Mitterrand told a press conference that the left-wing alliance of Socialists, Communists and Radicals would ask parliament to revise the Constitution if it won the elections.

Mr. Mitterrand took particular exception to a speech made by President Giscard d'Estaing last Friday and accused the head of state of unconstitutional opening the campaign for the parliamentary elections.

Describing Mr. Giscard d'Estaing as "the president of the right, the president of the conservative forces and the protector of capital," the Socialist leader charged him with being "the captain of a team, and not the referee on the field."

In his first press conference for nearly a year, Mr. Mitterrand displayed an open hostility to the head of state not seen since the 1974 presidential campaign in which he was narrowly beaten by Mr. Giscard d'Estaing.

Rating himself on Public opinion polls, which put the left ahead of the present centre-right parliamentary majority, Mr. Mitterrand said the president's speech last Friday was "the opening of hostilities against more than half of the French people."

He summoned President Giscard d'Estaing to remember that as head of state, he

motivated promises; "promises that he has never kept."

President Giscard d'Estaing had repeatedly forecast victory over inflation, allied with economic recovery and a drop in unemployment, he said, "and yet France is one of the Western countries where the crisis is most seriously felt."

The Socialist leader warned his allies that there would be a "massive" campaign against the left and said he had "sufficiently valid" evidence that the should not make electrically-

country's principal "bosses" had drawn up a plan, backed up with a 1,000 million franc (about \$200 million) fund, to keep the left alliance out of power.

At the same time, he said, the government had taken control over television and radio and was distorting news coverage to its own advantage.

The Socialist leader cited a number of incidents which, he said, illustrated government interference in the broadcasting media.

# Wrangling continues at Belgrade meeting

BELGRADE, July 13 (R). — The Soviet Union yesterday warned the West against pushing too hard for specialised committees to closely scrutinise East-West detente and human rights, delegates to the European security conference said.

At the preliminary conference here, to prepare for a full-scale meeting in the autumn, the West and neutral countries have made clear they want committees to conduct a thorough examination of progress made since the 1975 European security summit in Helsinki.

The preparatory meeting is still wrangling over the ground rules for the main conference, such as the highly technical but key issues of agenda, procedure and duration.

Soviet chief delegate Yuli Vorontsov told a closed session yesterday that the plenary meetings of the main conference should be paramount, and its work should not be downgraded in favour of committees, or working groups.

The plenary should not be reduced to an essentially ceremonial role, "dressed up in queen's regalia," he said, according to delegates.

Western delegates said they had not suggested that the plenary session of the 35-nation conference, including the United States and Canada, should be overshadowed by the committees.

"But neither the West nor the nine neutral countries want the conference to develop into a mere international talking-shop with lengthy -- and possibly filibustering -- speeches from the Soviet bloc," said one senior Western diplomat.

Mr. Vorontsov, while insisting on the dominant role of the plenary sessions, indicated the Soviet Union could accept

specialised working groups with a more limited mandate than demanded by the West, according to delegates.

"Some headway has been made since we started on June 15. But the final bargains have yet to be struck. Nobody is going to contemplate any big jump in the negotiations for three or four days," commented one delegation chief.

"Western delegates said the Soviet Union appeared to be increasingly worried about gaining acceptance by the neutrals and the West of a firm cut-off date for the main conference.

The West and the neutrals have suggested that the full-scale meeting should complete its work within about 12 weeks, but that it should be extended if agreement was not reached by this time.

"Such a provision would effectively prevent filibustering aimed at confusing the main issues like assessing what has actually been achieved since Helsinki, what is going on at present, and what new steps should be taken for the future," said a neutral diplomat.

"This issue of a cut-off date, a form of guideline for the negotiations, is beginning to obsess the East in current talks in the conference corridors, where much of the action here is taking place," he added.

The conference is trying to reconcile rival proposals by the West, the Soviet Union, the neutrals as well as commitments by several other countries with special national interests.

Delegates from nearly all countries expressed concern about expected proposals from Malta soon for a greater role for the non-European Mediterranean countries at the main conference.

# FLASH: Breakthrough reported

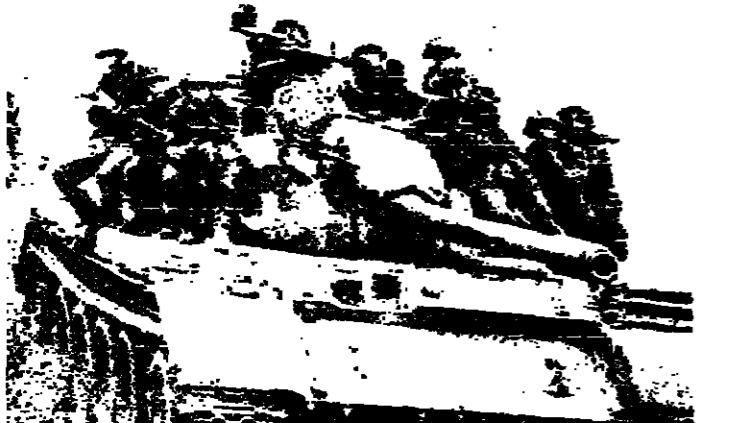
BELGRADE, July 13 (R). — Senior Western diplomats said today the Soviet bloc and Western countries achieved a major breakthrough in previously deadlocked talks on East-West detente and human rights.

The delegates said they believed that an agreement on the agenda and procedures for the full scale meeting in the autumn would shortly be reached.

"There were signs of a complete breakthrough today, and everything is falling together much sooner than we thought," said one senior Western delegate.

Conference sources said the basic agreement, on a proposal by nine neutral and non-aligned countries, was reached in talks between United States chief delegate Albert Sherer and his Soviet counterpart Yuli Vorontsov.

"The neutrals' paper will be the starting point for an agreement for the autumn conference," the delegate said.



SOCIALIST MUSCLE -- The Soviet Union shows its strength as tanks and troops of Prikarpat'ski military district in the Carpathian mountain range take part in summer manoeuvres currently underway in the country. Western military observers have been invited to watch. (AP wirephoto).

# Jeremy Thorpe thinks EEC should move its embassies to Jerusalem

LONDON, July 13 (R). — Mr. Jeremy Thorpe, foreign affairs spokesman of Britain's minority Liberal Party, yesterday suggested that Common Market countries might move their embassies in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

No big power has ever done this because they have never formally recognised Israel's annexation of east Jerusalem after capturing it in the 1967 war.

Mr. Thorpe suggested such a move as a "balancing" gesture of support for Israel next time the European Community makes a statement calling for the creation of a Palestinian state.

Addressing the Jewish B'nai B'rith association, Mr. Thorpe urged that the British government ceased cooperating with the Arab boycott of Israel and stop giving certificates of non-

Israeli origin to this country's exports.

Mr. Thorpe continued: "It should be much more outspoken in calling attention to the fact that it is the Arabs, not Israelis who are still refusing to negotiate, by normal international procedures."

He made no mention of Israel's refusal to negotiate with the Palestine Liberation Organisation, recognised by all Arab states as the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people.

Mr. Thorpe, formerly leader of the Liberal Party, said the British government knew that "the West cannot allow Israel to perish and that America will not permit it, even if Europe shirks its duty."

"It is important to insist on this because if the Arabs ever came to believe that the West is losing interest in Israel the chances of a war in the Mid-

dle East swelling into a third world war would increase enormously."

The Liberal foreign affairs spokesman said that "next time the British government, and preferably the European Community governments acting together, make a statement calling for the setting up of a Palestinian state, they should balance it with a gesture in support of Israel."

At their summit meeting here two weeks ago Common Market leaders referred to the need for a Palestinian homeland, denounced the acquisition of territory by force and called on Israel to end its occupation of land captured in 1967.

The Liberal Party which has 13 representatives in the 635 member parliament, helps keep the minority Labour government in power by giving it voting support.



ROYAL GUEST -- United States' First Lady Rosalynn Carter (left) greets Empress Farah of Iran as she arrives at the White House Monday for a luncheon in her honour. In the background is Mr. Ardeshir Zahedi, Ambassador of Iran to Washington. Empress Farah is in the U.S. capital for a round of informal visits. (AP wirephoto)



UNIVERSAL BEAUTIES -- The winners in the preliminary judging for the title of Miss Universe are shown in their national costumes in the central American city of Santo Domingo Tuesday night. From left: Huan Sotelo of Lebanon (third); Sung Hae-lee of South Korea (first); and Adriana Umpierrez of Uruguay (second). Finals take place Saturday night. (AP wirephoto)